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## Today is the Feast of "San Juan" and "Dera Gay"

ORANJESTAD -- Once a year on June 24th Aruba celebrates the Feast of San Juan and Dera Gay Day. This celebration dates back to the 19th century as a feast of harvest. History tells us that on June 23rd our farmers would gather the remnants of their harvest and set this aflame in order to make way for the new agricultural season. The tradition however has rolled over to the evening of June 24th and people began burning all useless objects. So that today the lighting of fires have nothing to do with agriculture, except for just an old custom.

The fact that people today use useless objects such as tires, batteries, plastic mate-



rial, wood, etc to light fires have become nothing but a nuisance to the community as they spread foul air across the barrio. The smoke generated by these fires affect everyone including our animals and the environment.

In 2009 the Fire Brigade

responded to 270 calls for assistance related to fires on June 24th. Police were also occupied with various calls for assistance. The Hospital also offered medical care for persons who developed problems with breathing because of the excessive smoke. Our visitors also experience the many fires around the island. To them this can be rather obnoxious. --

Lighting of fires is prohibited by law. And, the smoke from these fires is dangerous to one's health. Anyone caught lighting a fire may be fined.

The celebration of our folkloric feast - San Juan and Dera Gay can be extremely delightful and safe if we don't light fires.

## Information for Students with Aruba Student Loans

ORANJESTAD -- Erroneous information reporting that students studying in Holland have no sickness insurance caused quite a stir for both students and their parents. Aruba House became aware of this false information and immediately issued a bulletin informing all students studying in Holland that they do very definitely have sickness insurance. In this article explicit information is given to those students who received a letter from CVZ (College voor Zorgverzekeringen) saying that they don't have insurance. Here is what they must do:

**Step 1:** go to [www.svb.nl/awbz](http://www.svb.nl/awbz)

**Step 2:** click on "algemeen onderzoek verzekering AWBZ"

**Step 3:** there are 3 options, choose one

**Step 4:** fill in the form chosen

**Step 5:** at the question "overage feiten" fill in "ik verblijf in Nederland om een studie te volgen," or, "ik werk in Nederland naast mijn studie"

**Step 6:** after filling in the form, you may add a comment not to exceed 250 words.

**Step 7:** print the form and send to SVB

### Explanation of step 5:

This is the most important question for SVB. If you filled in "...om studie te volgen" it means that your sole purpose in Holland is to study, thus article 20 of the Decree applies to you. This means that you are not insured according to AWBZ, but that your private insurance via Aruba House is sufficient. If you work in addition to your study and

you filled that in you must be insured according to AWBZ. That means that you must have notified Aruba House of this already, that you are employed, so they could have changed your insurance policy from a private policy to a basic policy. If this is the case you should not have received the letter from CVZ. If this has not occurred as yet, you should inform Aruba House immediately to avoid getting the wrong type of insurance.

### Explanation of step 6:

If you wish you may write a brief note stating: Dear folks, I'm an Aruban student pursuant to article 20 of the Kring Decree of insured persons, who have been left out of the Peoples insurances as I am here in the Netherlands exclusively to study.

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## Baby, Think it Over Program comes to Aruba



Quota Club members and White Yellow Cross Staff

The Baby Think it Over Program has been active for some time among U.S. middle schools as a deterrent to teenage pregnancy, with many institutions showing great success in lowering the numbers. Quota Club of Aruba was proud to announce their fundraising efforts have allowed the purchase of 8 programmable dolls for the Aruba White/Yellow Cross, an organization addressing pre and post natal care and the elderly.

Project Supervisor for White/Yellow Cross, Monique Labad, and Director Gino Goeloe expressed their gratitude to Quota Club for their efforts and their attention to the problem of teenage pregnancy. Gerald Croes of the White/Yellow Cross explained the function of the dolls, which range in aspect from healthy babies to those suffering from malnutrition or substance abuse of the mother during pregnancy.

The dolls behave accordingly, with some being fussier and more difficult to calm than others, responding to care and cuddling, as would a real infant. Teenagers being trusted with the care of the dolls wear



Gerald Croes Programmer with Monique Labad of WYC of Quota

a bracelet that plugs into it when they interact, and records all behavior. When returned to the White/Yellow Cross, Gerald reads and analyses the recording on a computer. It detects any abuse, which includes rough handling, dropping or hitting. After one of those episodes the baby will cry for a period of time and cannot be stopped. Also:

- It records the number of minutes the **Baby** was not tended after it began to cry.
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## Syrians pour into Turkey as tanks enter border zone

GUVECCI, Turkey (AFP) – Syrian troops backed by tanks entered a border zone yesterday, sending hundreds of people fleeing into Turkey as protests against President Bashar al-Assad's rule hit the 100-day mark.

The Local Coordinating Committees organising the protests vowed in a statement to keep the heat on the Damascus regime and pursue the "peaceful revolution until we have a free and democratic Syria."

The European Union also increased the pressure, adopting new sanctions that added 11 more individuals and businesses to a list of Syrians already targeted, diplomats said.

Some 600 people broke through barbed wire marking the frontier to seek haven in Turkey from a deadly crack-down on dissent back home, advancing on a road a few

kilometres (miles) from the village of Guvecci.

Several hundred more people were seen down the road and the authorities brought in minibuses to ferry the refugees to tent cities set up by the Turkish Red Crescent in Hatay border province.

Syrian troops backed by tanks stormed the border village of Khirbet al-Joz, where

many of the displaced had massed, an activist at the scene told AFP.

Thousands of Syrians have flocked to the border but many have hesitated to enter Turkey, wary of leaving their property behind, and live in the open air or in makeshift shelters, surviving on scarce food and water.

## Peru supplants Colombia as top coca producer: UN

LIMA, Peru (AFP) - Peru has become the world's largest producer of coca, the plant used to make cocaine, knocking longtime leader Colombia into second place, a new UN report said Thursday.

The 2011 UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) report says Peru has 61,200 hectares of coca cultivated in 2010, two percent more than in the previous year, when there were some 59,900 hectares planted, according to the report.

Colombia meanwhile saw a significant reduction in the amount of land cultivated with coca plants, from 68,000 hectares to 57,000.

The bad news confirms a report issued by the Lima government itself in 2009, which found that Peru over-

took Colombia as the world's top producer of coca leaves in 2009.

The government-issued report also found that laundered money from the illegal drug industry represented between 2.5 and 6.3 percent of GDP in 2009.

Meanwhile, Colombia remains cocaine king for now, but perhaps not for much longer. Peru's production of cocaine -- the scourge fueling Latin America's drug wars -- has continued to rise in recent years, while Colombia's falls.

The report found that Peru's cocaine production for 2008 -- the most recent year for which figures were available was 302 tonnes, while Colombia's had fallen from 690 tonnes a decade ago to 410 in 2009.

## Dutch anti-Islam lawmaker Wilders acquitted



Dutch politician Geert Wilders looks on during the reading of his verdict at an Amsterdam court.

AMSTERDAM, The Netherlands (AFP) – Dutch far-right lawmaker Geert Wilders walked away from hate speech and discrimination charges Thursday for statements made attacking Islam, calling his acquittal a victory for freedom of speech.

The flamboyant MP faced five counts of hate speech and discrimination for his anti-Islamic remarks on websites, Internet forums and in Dutch newspapers between October

2006 and March 2008, and in his controversial 17-minute movie "Fitna" ("Discord" in Arabic).

He also compared the Koran with Hitler's "Mein Kampf" while in "Fitna" he used shocking images of the September 11 attacks in the United States and other on-slaughts against Western targets interspersed with verses from the Muslim holy book.

The 47-year-old Wilders, whose right-wing Party for Freedom (PVV) lends its support to the right-leaning Dutch coalition government, told journalists afterwards he was "overjoyed and very happy" to have been acquitted.

"It is not only a victory for me but also a victory for freedom of speech," he said outside the courtroom.

One of Europe's most heavily-guarded politicians, the lawmaker told the court he was "obliged to speak" because The Netherlands is "under threat" from Islam.

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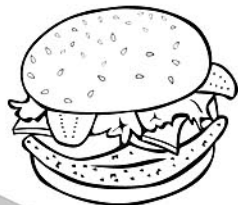
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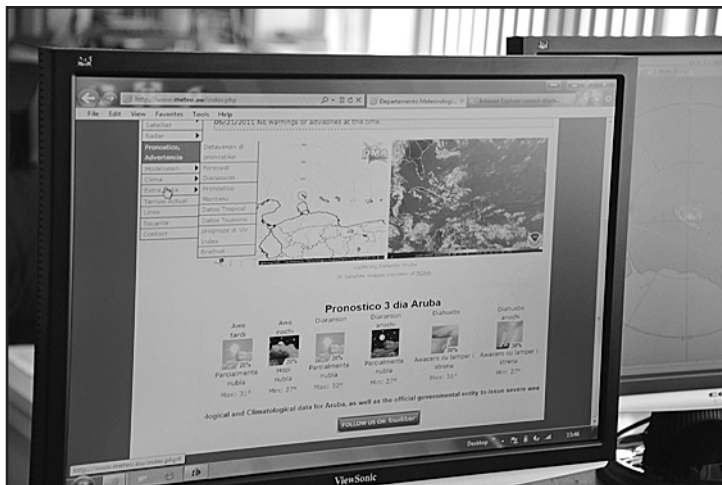
## Aruba has own Meteorological Department and website

ORANJESTAD -- On Tuesday afternoon Minister Otmar Oduber held a news conference at the new Meteorological Department to officially inaugurate this Department and to launch its official website.

The Minister officially announced that Aruba now has its own Meteorological Department which is part of the government's vision to make this department independent. Last year the process to create this independent department began in earnest. In the past 100% of all meteo services were handled by Curaçao. For many years, many government administrations attempted the process of Aruba having its own Meteo Department. Oduber expressed gratitude that we have finally succeeded in having this goal accomplished under his watch.

Oduber expressed appreciation and gratitude to Curaçao for the work they did during the past 25 years since our Status Aparte.

About 70% of all the work will now be handled by our own Department right here in Oranjestad. The government ensured that the Department has most of the sophisticated equipment needed to do their work. In the 2011 Island Budget, an additional sum of



150 thousand Florins has been earmarked for investment in technical equipment and software to ensure that the department can function optimally here on Aruba. At the moment there are about 3 services that Aruba still needs the assistance of the Curaçao Meteo Department.

Oduber congratulated the employees of the new Meteorological Department of Aruba and related that they have a very modern and 24-hour assessable website. The website is actualized 4 times daily, or as there are whatever disturbance this is actualized even more frequently.

For the next three months as a transition to the new website while everyone is becoming familiar with it, they will submit a daily bulletin. After this transitory phase

everyone on the island will be able to visit the site and obtain all the information available.

The Minister then informed the press that this year the government will invest in equipment that Aruba never had previously. This is equipment to measure humidity, temperature, wind and even a camera on the ocean. In this way we can provide concrete information to our fishermen and those entering the ocean for aquatic sports, according to Oduber.

The Minister was especially pleased to be able to inaugurate this new Department and praised the employees for this achievement after 25 years..... Aruba now has her own Meteorological Department!

## Dera Gai Celebration" at Paseo Herencia

NOORD -- Culture is the heritage of a country, it is a tradition celebrated by all ages when they demonstrate various expressions of our art, music, dance and traditions.

"San Juan" - St. John's Day, is one of the more colorful celebrations; it marked the harvest time with ritual dances and bonfires to clear the fields of refuse.

Aruba is the only nation that celebrates the feast of San Juan -Dera Gai, in its own very unique way, with special songs, costumes and dances for the occasion.

Tonight, Paseo Herencia in Palm Beach will dress up in

red and yellow to mark this popular day. The center invites all tourists and the community in general to join in the celebration. Entertainment starts at 6:00 p.m. with folkloric music by Tipico Alegre Cadushi Largo and folkloric dance group Santa Cruz. Different stores and restaurants around the Plaza Padu will be open.

"We at Paseo Herencia are very proud to be part of this important celebration among our community," says a spokesperson.

*Paseo Herencia .... take a stroll and get to know more of Aruba's culture in a different and entertaining environment.*

## Baby, Think it Over

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Students wear a care key on a bracelet which locks on. No one else can care for the baby.

The baby will cry frequently (but briefly, if its "parent" is attentive). The crying pattern is random and will occur at intervals between one and six hours.

When a teen is tending the baby, this interval is also random, lasting between five and thirty-five minutes. The baby cries briefly when it is ready to go back to "sleep."

One model, which has a clear acrylic head, will cry incessantly, and demonstrates the effects of "shaken baby" syndrome when mistreated. This graphic and practical demon-

stration of authentic infant behavior is believed will prove a strong deterrent to unprotected sex among island youth, thus providing the added benefit of reducing sexually transmitted diseases, as well.

The White/Yellow Cross plans to conduct the program among school classes of Aruba's most vulnerable age group for teenage pregnancy. The 8 dolls cost over 10,000 Aruban florins, (\$5,575) and Quota Club President Luz Marina expressed the service club is proud to sponsor such a worthwhile project and hopes to purchase more dolls in the future.

*by Rosalie Klein*

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## International Film celebrities heat up the night at Gold Coast Villas



### Award winning costume designer Michael Kaplan gets mellow

Everyone on Aruba knows the pool deck at Gold Coast Villas is wonderful for parties al fresco, and the organizers of the Aruba International Film Festival could not think of a better venue for the awards event of the Caribbean Spotlight Series competition. Gold

Coast developers Fito and Rudy Croes were happy to host this sparkling event, which proved thrilling for several of those who have purchased homes in this exclusive gated community.

Though spacious, the various alcoves around the pool



### Gold Coast Management with island dignitaries

lent a cozy feel to the exciting event. Gold Coast Villas homeowners rubbed elbows with Hollywood luminaries such as Michael Kaplan, award winning costume designer for "Bladerunner" and the fantastic fashions of "Burlesque," as well as actor Steven Bauer - "Scarface" – and the producers and directors of the independent films



### Gold Coast Homeowners Rosie and Tally enjoy the event

submitted to the competition. Many got to meet island dignitaries such as Minister of Social and Economic Affairs and Culture, Michelle Hooyboer-Winklaar and Parliamentarian Donny Rasmijn,

allowing them to be completely immersed in the excitement and glamour of such events on Aruba.

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## International Film celebrities heat up the night at Gold Coast Villas

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Gold Coast Developers Rudy and Fito Croes get in the mood

Senor Frog's provided an unlimited supply of exotic drinks in their famous Baby Yards and Cook's Restaurant provided a delectable selection of late night nibbles such as crab cakes, chicken tempura and tenderloin kebabs.

Gold Coast Villas residents felt truly connected to the Aruban community as they applauded the honoring of Aruba's first native cinematographer, Anselmo "Chemmy" Kock by Minister

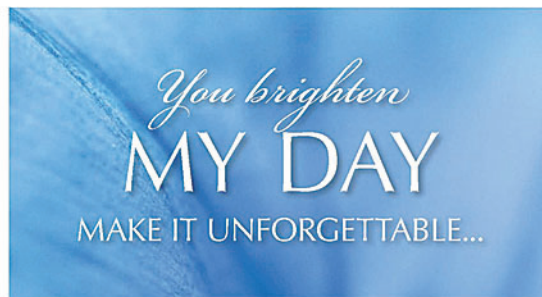
Hooyboer-Winklaar, an aspect of the evening that opened a window for them to island life beyond resorts.

Glittering and erudite company, fabulous food and drinks and a wonderful Aruban ambiance made it a truly memorable night for all those here for the week long AIFF, Gold Coast residents and visitors alike.

by Rosalie Klein



The perfect way to celebrate your birthday on Aruba is by Partying with the Kukoo Kunuku Party Bus! Mel turned 30 last Saturday and had a blast on the bus with her crazy friends. With a birthday hat on her head getting sung and congratulated by the other Kukoo friends at the champagne toast, it was a great beginning to a fabulous night of celebration on our beautiful island. After an evening of dining, dancing, drinking and having Fun the busdriver Victor made sure everyone got safely home.



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## Banco di Caribe congratulates Shariska Winterdal

Last Sunday, the 33 Schottegatrún 17km race took place in Curacao, sponsored by Girobank Curacao. Athletes from Aruba also participated in the run and most of them returned home with a prize.

The run started at 6:00 a.m. in front of the Girobank in Punda and finished at the stadium in Rif Fort. It was a well organized event by the Road Runners Club Curacao.

One Aruban athlete, Shariska Winterdal, came in 2nd in the Ladies Pverall category and also in 2nd in her age bracket with a time of 1 hr, 8 min, 45 sec; she finished 17th overall, competing among a field of more than 100.

Shariska feels she did a very good time; it fits in the training program that she is now undergoing for a marathon which will take place in August, in Deagu, South Korea. She was appointed by the Directiva Atletismo Aruba (AAB) – Aruba's athletic committee – to represent our country in the World Athletics Championship- marathon discipline where top tunners from all over the world will compete to classify for the 2012 Olympic Games to take place in London, England.

Banco di Caribe Aruba N.V. affirms its support for Shariska and wishes her all the best in her preparations for this big competition. "She will surely represent our island with dignity," a bank spokesperson said.





## Sci-Tech

# Harry Potter goes digital with e-books



Harry Potter creator JK Rowling poses with a boy during the launch of her new project [www.pottermore.com](http://www.pottermore.com) in London

LONDON (AFP) — Harry Potter creator JK Rowling on Thursday took her lucrative boy wizard into the digital age, revealing that his adventures will now be sold as e-books through a website that contains new material.

After years of restricting the phenomenally successful series to print form, Rowling said that from October she would sell them direct to consumers, bypassing not only bookstores but also online retailers like Amazon and Apple.

The free-to-access website, [www.pottermore.com](http://www.pottermore.com), will also feature an "online reading experience" allowing fans to immerse themselves in the world of Potter and his friends through graphics and videos.

"It's a wonderful way to

introduce the digital generation to the books," the 45-year-old Rowling told a press conference in London's imposing Victoria and Albert Museum.

"Personally I love printed paper books, but e-books are miraculous, you have several hundred books available at a time".

But in a blow to her fans the multi-million-selling author said she had "no plans" to add to the seven Potter novels she has already written.

Rowling is launching her e-books venture in partnership with Sony, the Japanese entertainment giant, having retained the digital publication rights herself.

The website will go live from July 31 for one million Potter fans who pass a special

online challenge, and to the general public from October.

Other merchandise available through the site -- which will launch in English, French, Italian, German and Spanish -- will include digital audiobooks in a range of languages.

Potter fans will be able to register on the free website using one of the young sorcerers from the books as their online identity, then play games and interact with elements of the fictional world.

The site will also have 18,000 words of previously unpublished material that Rowling has written on the backgrounds to the characters and their lives at Hogwarts Academy, a fictional school for young wizards.

"I had more than half of the new material already written," Rowling said, adding that some of it had been "literally" dug out of boxes.

"I wanted to give something back to the fans that have followed Harry so devotedly over the years, and to bring the stories to a new digital generation," she said.

"I hope fans and those new to Harry will have as much fun helping to shape Pottermore as I have."

The author laid down her pen -- and Harry's magic wand -- when she finished the seventh book in 2007, with 400 million copies of the novels sold around the world.

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## Japan's 'Sense-Roid' replicates human hug



A student at the University of Electro-Communications demonstrates the use of "Sense-roid"

TOKYO (AFP) — Japanese inventors have pushed the frontiers of technology with the ultimate companion for lonely singles -- a wired torso-shaped device that you can hug and that hugs you back.

The "Sense-Roid" looks like a tailor's mannequin with silicon skin and is packed with pressure sensors. It is connected to a jacket worn by the human user that replicates

the embrace with the help of air compressors.

The illusion of a mutual hug with the half-humanoid is enhanced by artificial muscles and vibrating devices in the "tactile jacket", say the inventors from the University of Electro-Communications in Tokyo.

"Usually people feel nothing, or they even feel bad, when they hug strangers, but they experience feelings of satisfaction, love and comfort when they hug a boyfriend or girlfriend," research team member Nobuhiro Takahashi said.

"We wondered how humans would feel if they could hug themselves."

He added that the device could be used in medical therapy and to give comfort to elderly people living alone. However, there were no immediate plans to put the gadget into commercial production.

The Sense-Roid is on display at the 3D & Virtual Reality Expo that kicked off in Tokyo on Wednesday.

## Zero-gravity experience lifts off at Le Bourget



LE BOURGET, France (AFP) — What child has not dreamed of breaking free from gravity's chains and floating, weightless, above

Earth's surface?

That fantasy, long-since dismissed in the adult mind as a violation of Nature, came true this week for a small group of scientists, French parliamentarians and journalists, including this reporter.

The lucky few experienced a dozen 30-second episodes of pure, head-spinning zero-gravity aboard an Airbus A300, owned by French aeronautics firm Novespace and run by France's National Centre for Space Studies (CNES).

Once available only to astronauts and scientists, the weightless experience is about to become a bit more accessible, provided you've got the cash.

Novespace managing di-

rector and ex-astronaut Jean-Francois Clervoy announced Tuesday that he plans to offer commercial flights, including one before the end of this year.

Final approval from France's civil aviation authority is pending, and the price tag -- provisionally set at 4,000 euros (5,700 dollars) -- has yet to be finalised.

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"Planes are designed to withstand 10G. The human body is not," said Captain

Jean-Claude Bordenave.

Suddenly, the pressure is gone.

Indeed, a gentle push with a fingertip is enough to send one hurtling through space, spinning head over heels.

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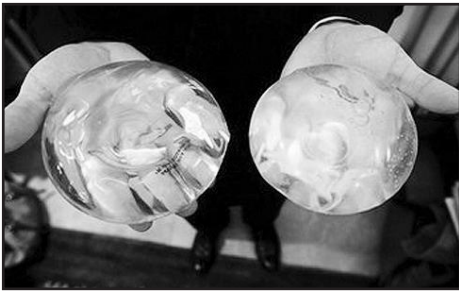
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## Health &amp; Living

# Breast implants safe, but not for life: US experts



Doctor holds up silicone implant gel and saline

WASHINGTON (AFP) — Women need to beware that while breast implants are safe, they are not meant to last a lifetime and could lead to problems later on, the top US drug agency said Wednesday.

"Breast implants are not lifetime devices. The longer a woman has silicone gel-filled breast implants, the more likely she is to experience complications," the US Food and Drug Administration said in a report.

The FDA approved the sale of silicone breast implants

in November 2006 for women age 22 and above.

But in updated safety guidelines it warned that one in five women who have had breast implants to increase their cup-size or for reconstruction surgery will have to undergo another operation within 10 years.

And one in five patients who received implants to boost their appearance will need them removed within 10 years.

Most complications occur from hardening of the breast tissue around the implant, from a rupturing of the implant, or "wrinkling, asymmetry, scarring, pain and infection," the FDA said.

It stressed its preliminary investigation showed no risk of cancer or any reproductive problems linked to breast implants, but recommended that

there should be further studies.

The American Society of Plastic Surgeons said that last year 390,000 breast implant operations were carried out, the vast majority to increase bust size. Those figures include both silicone implants and those filled with saline water.

"The FDA will continue to monitor and collect safety and performance information on silicone gel-filled breast implants, but it is important that women with breast implants see their health care providers if they experience any symptoms," said Jeffrey Shuren, director of FDA's Center for Devices and Radiological Health.

"Women who have enrolled in studies should continue to participate so that we may better understand the long-term performance of these implants and identify any potential problems."

## DNA scan yields insights into Germany's E. coli bug

PARIS, France (AFP) — A strain of E. coli bacteria blamed for killing dozens of people in Germany is a genetic mix whose ability to stick to intestinal walls may have made it so lethal, a study in The Lancet said.

A team led by Helge Karch, a professor at the University of Muenster, said the Escherichia coli germ O104:H4 was a rare kind that in essence was a "clone" of a strain first detected in a young patient in Germany in 2001.

Its genes for virulence come from two strains that have combined, they said.

One strain, called enterohaemorrhagic E. coli (EHEC), releases poisons called Shiga toxins.

The other, called enteroag-

gregative E. coli (EAEC), adheres in a "stacked brick" fashion to epithelial cells which constitute the intestinal lining.

Sequencing by gene labs in the United States and China last month also spoke of a hybrid EHEC-EAEC strain.

The new study, delving into a catalogue of bacteria, said the mix had been around, albeit in a rare form, for a decade.

What is different from the 2001 germ, it added, are genes that make it resistant to members of a broad class of antibiotics called beta-lactams.

The germ was resistant to all penicillins and cephalosporins, but susceptible to carbapenems.

This blending of traits could explain the exceptional virulence of the strain and suggests beta-lactams may have inadvertently made things worse by wiping out rivals to the germ, says the study.

Nearly a quarter of those infected in the outbreak have developed haemolytic uraemic syndrome (HUS), which includes kidney impairment, a breakdown of red blood cells and lack of blood-clotting components called platelets. All of these samples were "clones," or copies, of the HUSEC041, an E. coli strain identified in 2001 in a child with HUS.

## US approves cell therapy injection for wrinkles

WASHINGTON (AFP) — US regulators have approved a new type of therapy that uses a person's own skin cells to create an injectable cosmetic plumper to smooth out laugh lines, Fibrocell Science said.

The Food and Drug Administration approved late Tuesday the Pennsylvania-based company's application for license to market laViv, which uses a person's own collagen cells, multiplies them, and creates an injectable substance.

Fibrocell said the FDA approval came after two phase III randomized, double blind trials of 421 patients who received either laViv or a placebo in three three treatments about five weeks apart.

Doctors take a sample of cells from behind a patient's ear and send those cells to a lab where scientists replicate hundreds of millions of fibroblasts and freeze them until they are needed for treatment, a process that takes about 90 days.

The most common side effects were redness, pain, swelling or bruising at the injection site, the company said.

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## Calm a Colicky Baby

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While doctors don't know what causes colic, and there is no known cure, the Nemours Foundation offers these suggestions to help calm a colicky baby:

\*Walk with baby, rock in a chair or try other positions to see if any of them make baby happy.

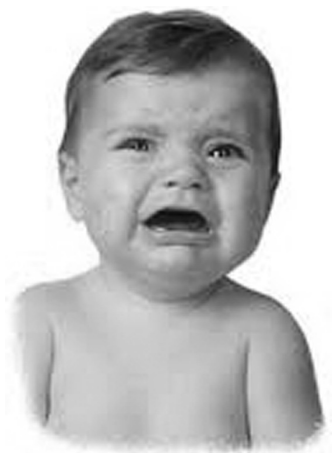
\*Burp baby frequently during feedings.

\*Place baby across your lap, belly-down, and rub baby's back.

\*Place baby in a swing or seat that vibrates, or put baby in an infant carrier and go for a ride in the car.

\*Play soothing music.

\*Run the vacuum cleaner, hair dryer, clothes dryer or white noise device to see if this calms your baby.



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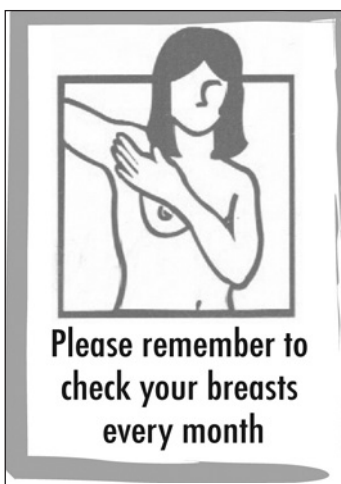
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If this is the case, then you are required to have basic insurance. A basic insurance is more expensive but it gives you the right to the Care Allowance. For any further info please contact Aruba House.

## Cas Animal cont'd

### Meet Miss Piggy-a perfect example of why the foundation exists

When Cas Animal founder Kiki Arndt began taking in abandoned dogs 14 years ago, she had no idea she would eventually end up providing a haven for over 80 dogs, or start a foundation with the goal of building a proper shelter to house at least 200 dogs, as well as cats and other animals. It was her dismay at finding two starving dogs, dying of thirst, left behind in the home she rented when she first moved to Aruba that set her on this course, from which she has tried but cannot deviate. It has become a calling that consumes her.

A good example of why it continues to do so is one of her latest additions to her household- there have been a rash of

dog," reports Kiki after the new addition received a thorough examination at the vet. "She is an example of what upsets me most in how cruelly people treat an animal that has given them years of love and devotion. When we found her, we could smell she had been shampooed, so she did receive care at some point. We can only guess that she may have outlived an elderly master, and possibly the children did not want the dog, so they abandoned it close to a busy street, where it could easily have been



shot of this in a future issue.

Fortunately for Miss Piggy, her story will have a happy ending, thanks to Kiki and Cas Animal. To continue to provide these happy endings Kiki needs help from every source possible. A donation to help with Miss Piggy's surgery would be very welcome. Donations can be made by calling her at: 565-2130 or 742-8732. She encourages island visitors to adopt a dog; if not one of hers, then perhaps one of our loyal and loving cunucu dogs they have befriended on the beach or streets, which may have captured their hearts. She will walk you through the process of transporting it back home. Her expenses for feeding all the animals in her care are astronomical, as well as her veterinary bills, and donations can be made by paying on her account at the Contreras Clinics in Shaba or Savaneta, as well as directly to the bank account of Cas Animal Foundation, CMB Bank account # 25762110. Kiki also maintains an Animal Ambulance to assist dog owners who are unable to take their pet to the vet, as well as maintaining her emergency and recovery service for injured animals.

Our continuing series and her progress can be followed on the Cas Animal Facebook page.

by Rosalie Klein



a hernia from too many litters

them-Miss Piggy; so named because when found she was devoid of a coat. Small, pink and sporting a curling tail, the name perfectly fit this terrified dog found cowering behind some garbage cans.

Kiki had received a call to retrieve the dog, people from the neighborhood thought she had an enormous tumor and were going to take her to be put down if she was not taken away. Miss Piggy soon responded to the calm affection of Kiki, which brought out her naturally sweet nature.

"Miss Piggy is not a young

hit by a car; it is miraculous she wasn't."

Miss Piggy's swollen abdomen is from a hernia; the result of too many litters, which could have been avoided if the dog had been neutered. A simple operation scheduled for July 4 will remedy that; her skin condition is already improving with a series of inexpensive shots costing around 30 Aruban florins (\$17) in total. The coat is growing in very nicely and Kiki believes she is a Maltese mix and it will be long and beautiful when it has come back fully. Look forward to a



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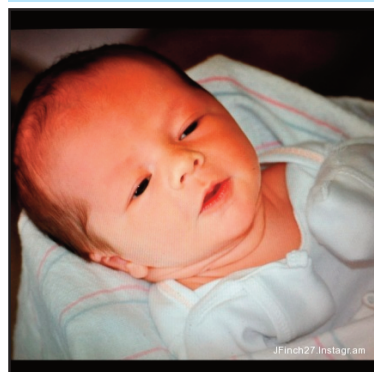




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## Olympian give her baby an odd name



Janis Joplin once sang that freedom is just another word for being able to name your kid whatever you want.

Superstar Olympian softball queen Jennie Finch and her husband, former major leaguer Casey Daigle, make sure their second son will for-

ever be unique

They exercised their parental rights recently in announcing the birth of their second child — a son called Diesel Dean Daigle.

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Born on Sunday night, Diesel weighed in at 8 lbs., 2 oz. and is 22¼ inches long. He joins big brother Ace Shane, 5, at home

"We are so completely grateful and beyond blessed," the Olympic softball star, 30, said.

"Casey and I are excited for our sweet precious Baby D! Ace couldn't be any more pumped to be a big brother to Diesel."

## Back Then...

The Dera Gai (pronounced guy) Festival, originally celebrated as an agricultural ending of the harvest year and the beginning of a new year, was brought by the Indian population to Aruba from their origins in southern Mexico and Guatemala centuries ago.

While clearing the fields of old crops and to honor various gods, huge bonfires were set over which men jumped and competed with challenges and betting to the accompaniment of tall tales, food and drink. On June 23rd heaps of agricultural refuse would be burned just after sunset and the horizon would light up. If the kibrahacha trees bloomed forth with their yellow blossoms it meant a good harvest.



and donkeys. At 4 pm the ceremonial "burying the rooster" began.

A young rooster would be placed in a hole in the ground

his sense of direction. With a 3-foot stick and still blindfolded he would then have 3 chances to find the rooster. If he did not succeed another man would try. Then winner would receive the rooster for his dinner. During the proceedings there was much improvisational singing, chorus answers and clapping.

More than 100 years ago, the parish of Santa Cruz brought the celebration indoors where flags of many colors were used instead of a live rooster. Women wore floor length billowing bright yellow dresses with bright sashes and danced in circles bound with ribbons joined in the center. The men who danced in a "capture the rooster" ritual were then converted to dancing blindfolded until all the flags were captured. The rituals continue today often with folkloric groups



In Aruba, as elsewhere, The Roman Catholic church more recently arrived, in the 1600's, changed many things. They did not like the "pagan" ceremony and since they couldn't break it, joined it by declaring the date, 24 June, St. John's day. The Indians used a 13-month lunar calendar, losing a day and a quarter along the way. The closest Catholic religious holiday was the Feast of St. John the Baptist. The Indians kept their festivities and Catholics celebrated with them in honor of St. John.

The next day, the 24th, in the morning and early afternoon, games for children were played to show off their athletic abilities. The men had tougher games riding horses

with a gourd ( calabash ) placed over its head to level the ground. Musicians would accompany the chosen man



and blindfolded he would dance with a lady to confuse providing the entertainment. Roosters are not invited.



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## ACROSS

1. Big \_\_\_ house (2 wds.)
4. House wing
7. Early '50s Pres.
10. Peppermint candy shape
12. Last letter
13. Corned beef
14. Grapefruit skin
15. John Goodman sitcom
17. Riddles
19. Leos' mo.

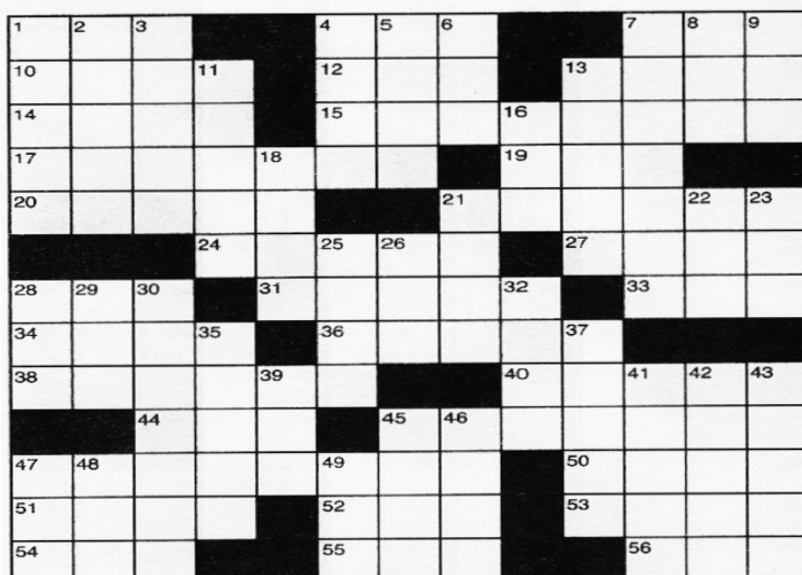
20. Ranch animal
21. Most adorable
24. Distance downward
27. Actress Moran
28. He became pres. on 11/22/63
31. Sandwich shops
33. Speedy jet (abbr.)
34. "All in favor" followers
36. Throw a tantrum (2 wds.)
38. Delays
40. Floating platforms
44. Repairman's cost

45. Have too much dinner
47. Sight at O'Hare
50. Napoleon's exile island
51. Rivals
52. Adherent (suffix)
53. Room entrance
54. Broker's advice
55. \_\_\_ Angeles
56. Whether or \_\_\_

## DOWN

1. Land units
2. Actress Susan \_\_\_
3. "Tomorrow" musical

4. Poet Pound
5. Durocher and Tolstoy
6. Quebec article
7. Closet items
8. Social Security no.
9. "At \_\_\_ Hop"
11. Sidled
13. Terre \_\_\_
16. \_\_\_ Claire, Wisconsin
18. TV talking horse (2 wds.)
21. Voucher
22. Bro's opposite
23. "The Closer" network
25. Legumes
26. R.N.'s treatment
28. Lass's friend
29. "See ya!"
30. Thriller author Deaver
32. "No problem!"
35. Filters through
37. Removed excess
39. Cousin or uncle (abbr.)
41. Criminal
42. Prohibition
43. Kick off
45. Unfooled by
46. Some necklines
47. Andrews, for one (abbr.)
48. Marker letters
49. Become sick

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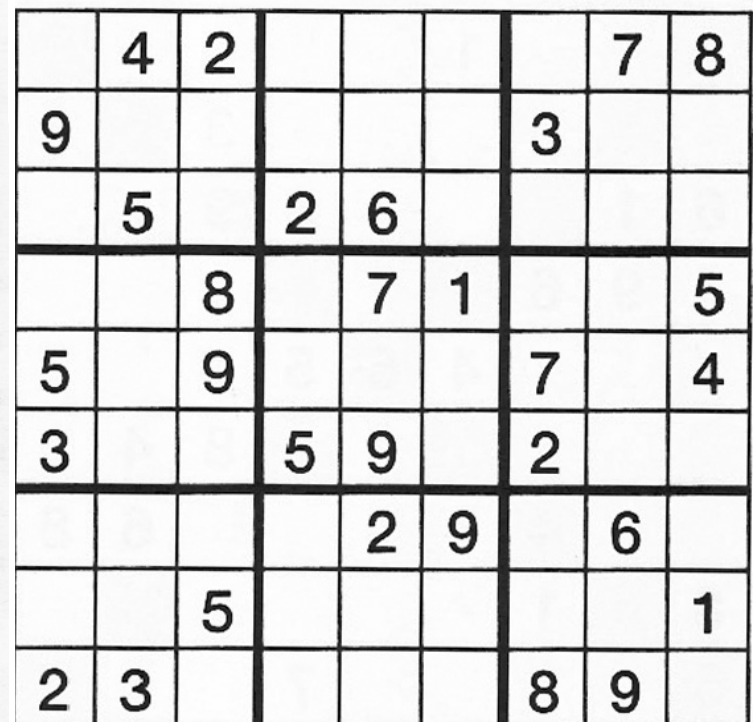
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5	3	6	1	7	4	8	2	9
6	4	1	7	9	2	3	5	8
2	9	3	4	1	8	7	6	5
8	7	9	3	5	6	2	4	1

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## Finance

# Oil plunges as IEA releases reserves

NEW YORK (AFP) - Oil prices plunged Thursday after the International Energy Agency decided to tap emergency reserves to make up for lost Libyan output and to give the global economy relief from high energy prices.

Markets were roiled as the Paris-based IEA announced its surprise decision, only the third time in history that the 28-member group of oil-importing countries has decided to take such a step.

The main oil contract traded in New York -- West Texas Intermediate (WTI) light, sweet crude for August delivery -- plummeted \$4.39 to close at \$91.02 a barrel, a one-day drop of 4.6 percent.

The WTI contract hit an intraday low of \$89.89 a barrel, a level not seen since February.

In London, on the IntercontinentalExchange, Brent North Sea crude for August delivery tumbled \$6.95 to \$107.26.

The IEA said 60 million barrels would be taken from its members' strategic oil stocks over the next month to replace output from Libya, where a revolt against longtime leader Moamer Kadhafi has practically halted output.

Libyan supplies have dwined

dled to a trickle since a popular uprising against Kadhafi began, prompting a coalition of NATO countries to launch air strikes against government forces to protect the civilian population.

The IEA was created in the wake of the 1970s Arab oil embargo to counter the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), the oil-producers' cartel, and the two have long battled over oil prices.

The United States, the

world's largest oil-consuming nation, took the lead in moving to draw down reserves, saying it would release 30 million barrels from its Strategic Petroleum Reserve.

Tighter supplies have caused a run-up in oil prices since the beginning of the year, threatening the global economic recovery.

A series of gloomy economic reports was already pushing down the price of oil before the IEA made its surprise move, analysts said.

## Dollar gains on euro, yen

NEW YORK, (AFP) - The dollar rose against the euro and the yen on Thursday, as signs of economic weakness around the world spurred a return to the traditional safe haven of the greenback.

The dollar strengthened to \$1.4257 against the euro at 2100 GMT in New York trading, compared to \$1.4349 on Wednesday.

Against the Japanese currency, the dollar rose to 80.52 yen, up from 80.31 on Wednesday.

In the United States, the

Labor Department reported an unexpected increase in initial jobless claims, rising 9,000 to 429,000 in the week ending June 18, while the Commerce Department said new-home sales fell 2.1 percent in May.

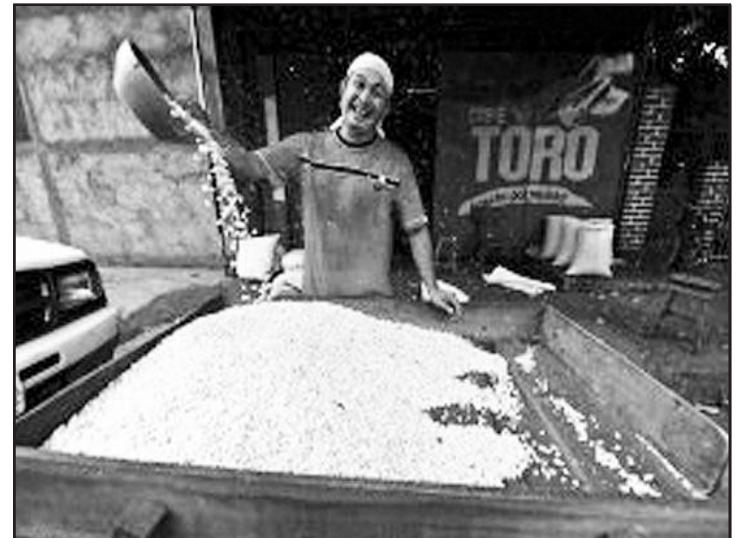
In Asia, the HSBC China Manufacturing Purchasing Managers Index hit an 11-month low, reflecting Beijing's efforts to cool down the overheating Chinese economy.

In the eurozone, which has also been shaken by uncertainty over the Greek debt crisis, a key indicator on manufacturing activity fell to a 20-month low in June.

The dollar weakened against the Swiss franc, falling to 0.8383 francs from 0.8392 on Wednesday. It strengthened against the British pound, trading at \$1.6010 to the pound compared to \$1.6064 the prior day.

## YESTERDAY'S Crossword Answer

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MANAGUA, Nicaragua : A worker cleans corn in a market in Managua. Nicaraguan government authorized the import of 20,000 tonnes of duty-free white maize from US and Mexico, to put downward pressure on grain prices, which have increased because of production shortfalls, an official said.

AFP PHOTO

## G20 reach 'historic' accord on food speculation

PARIS, France (AFP) - Farm ministers from the world's top economies agreed on action on Thursday to tame the speculative trading blamed for the food price spikes that have hit consumers' pockets and sparked unrest.

"Today is a great day. We have reached an historic accord," France's minister for agriculture Bruno Le Maire declared after the Paris meeting, organised as part of the French presidency of the G20 group of nations.

While the gathering endorsed tightening up market regulation to limit speculation, he said they will have to wait for G20 finance ministers to enact concrete measures.

The agreement supports establishing an international agricultural market information system, or AMIS, to remedy a chronic lack of output and stocks data that is seen as

a major source for price volatility.

The ministers also agreed to a rapid response mechanism so the G20 nations, responsible for roughly three-quarters of global farm output, can respond collectively in the future to volatility in output and prices.

They also agreed to exempt humanitarian food aid from any additional export taxes or restrictions.

The G20 nations pledged to tackle agricultural commodity volatility in the wake of the 2007-2008 surge in food prices, widely blamed on speculation, that triggered riots in some countries.

The agreement marks a major change for nations such as China and India, which previously viewed detailed agricultural production and stocks information as too sensitive to national security to share.

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## Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest



Managers of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, report that sales are picking up nicely as the global economy begins to recover and those with a bit of disposal income are looking to invest in a sure thing. Gold Coast Directing Manager Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners are barely using the villas or town homes they purchase, but taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their in-

"Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project; the scope and amenities. We talked to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on Aruba, and took from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who dreamed of their own home in Aruba will eventually be a community of 260 town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning club-

ment, particularly those taking advantage of the management association's rental service. There is always a great demand for Aruba and facilities such as those at Gold Coast, making it easy for some owners to earn their mortgage payments or others to see an immediate return on their investment.

The design of the structures is open, airy and spacious, fully deploying the island environment, with the finest quality construction and finishing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to offer custom options for clients, so buyers can individualize their homes. An elegant and chic standard package is available, or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property; not the least is the future value of the investment. To further enhance this, Gold Coast managers have inaugurated a number of in-house services and are now negotiating with Interval International to provide a huge international pool for investors to tap for renters either short or long term. Property exchange for a vacation in another destination will also be available. Gold Coast's own rental services have also proven highly successful in assisting owners in renting their villas; 24-hour security and maintenance services also tip the scales when it is time to make a decision. Aside from all this, housekeeping, babysitting and catering services are also available for community members as well as airport pick-up and drop-off and pre-shopping services so cupboards and refrigerators are stocked upon arrival, which can all be arranged through their home management department.

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vestment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their 'home away from home' in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and are impressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community; in this area, the value of properties has only increased over time. It is minutes to the best beaches and all the action, and yet offers a quiet and secluded getaway; we are very pleased by the response to our concept."

Fito, with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy run Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for all budgets for nearly twenty years.

house complemented by two additional pools decks, one of which has been open for a year, the other will be ready for the holidays 2010. They expect the clubhouse to be ready for the community with a workout room and spectacular facilities by the end of 2011. It will also house a restaurant and mini-market.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking only a few short years ago, are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their invest-



## Parents Guide to Skin Protection



It's important to protect your children's skin from the damaging effects of the sun. No matter what they're doing or what time of year it is, if they are outdoors, they need to be protected.

Aruba is one of the places in the world where the sun is the strongest. Located only 12.5 degrees north of the equator, the sun shines with maximum strength and penetrates the atmosphere with a maximum amount of UV rays. What most people don't know on water and sand, which means that even in the shade you need protection.

Protecting the skin from the sun during childhood and adolescence is important in reducing cancer risks later in life. By building safe sun habits into your family's daily routine, you will make your children understand and get used to being protected against the sun and they will become more aware of the harmful effects it can have to their skin. Parents should take the lead by giving the good example; children will respond better when they see their parents protecting their skin as well.

### Important recommendations:

- Wear protective clothing when out in the sun. Choose shirts and slacks made of tightly woven fabrics that you can't see through when held up to light.

- Cover up with Hats. Choose hats that shade your child's face, neck and ears.

- Apply Sunscreen every day on skin that is not protected by clothing or a hat. Choose a sunscreen with a high Sun Protection Factor (SPF) such as Aruba Aloe's Waterproof SPF 30 sunscreen for maximum protection. For babies and children under 2 years old, make sure to use a special sunscreen that gives extra protection for the sensitive skin such as "Waterproof Babies SPF 30" from Aruba Aloe. Remember to reapply after swimming, sweating or toweling dry if you use a sun-

screen that is not waterproof.

- Use sunscreen even on hazy or overcast days.

- Keep an extra bottle of sunscreen in the car.

- Pack a bottle of sunscreen in your child's bag.

- Use Sunglasses that block UV rays and protect the eyes and the surrounding tender skin.



- Play in the Shade. The sun's rays are generally strongest from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. If your children are outdoors, make sure their skin is protected.

- Teach your children the shadow rule. When outside, if your shadow is shorter than you are, it means that the sun is high in the sky and the UV rays are most intense.

- Protect children younger than 6 months of age with clothing and keep them in the shade.

For more advice on how to best protect your and your children's skin against the sun, please call Aruba Aloe: 588-3222 or visit the website [www.ArubaAloe.com](http://www.ArubaAloe.com)

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## Two years on, Jackson death still a mystery



LOS ANGELES (AFP) — Two years after Michael Jackson's shock death, the mystery over exactly how he died continues to fuel legal wrangling, conspiracy theories and family strains over the King of Pop's clouded legacy.

While fans are expected to pay their respects this weekend -- including by dropping red roses from the air over his famous Neverland ranch -- many questions remain over his death on June 25, 2009 aged only 50.

His personal doctor Conrad Murray is still awaiting trial on manslaughter charges for al-

legedly giving Jackson an overdose of powerful sedative propofol to help him sleep on the fateful morning at his Beverly Hills mansion.

The trial was to have started in May, but has been delayed until September after his defense lawyers -- expected to argue that Jackson effectively killed himself -- said they need more time to prepare.

Days ahead of the second anniversary of his death, Jackson's sister La Toya published a new book reiterating her claim that he could have been murdered, and had voiced fears to her that he would be for financial reasons.

"I truly feel Dr Murray was simply the fall guy. I think it's too easy to blame him. I think the investigation needs to go a bit further than just stopping at Dr Murray," she said ahead of the book's publication this week. "There are a lot of other people that are involved in this. My brother told me," she said, while declining to elaborate.

Many of the lurid details of

what happened on the day Jackson died have emerged in legal wranglings over the last two years to prepare for his doctor's trial.

The controversial singer -- preparing for a series of comeback concerts in London, four years after being acquitted on child sex abuse charges -- was being treated for chronic insomnia including by using propofol.

Whatever the outcome of the trial, expected to be watched closely by Jackson's millions of fans around the world, it will likely only fuel publicity for the multi-million-dollar industry based on the performer's legacy.



## Harry Potter goes digital with e-books

LONDON (AFP) — Harry Potter creator JK Rowling on Thursday took her lucrative boy wizard into the digital age, revealing that his adventures will now be sold as e-books through a website that contains new material.

After years of restricting the phenomenally successful series to print form, Rowling said that from October she would sell them direct to consumers, bypassing not only bookstores but also online retailers like Amazon and Apple.

The free-to-access website, [www.pottermore.com](http://www.pottermore.com), will also feature an "online reading experience" allowing fans to immerse themselves in the world of Potter and his friends through graphics and videos.

"It's a wonderful way to introduce the digital generation to the books," the 45-year-old Rowling told a press conference in London's imposing Victoria and Albert Museum.

"Personally I love printed paper books, but e-books are miraculous, you have several hundred books available at a time".

But in a blow to her fans the multi-million-selling author said she had "no plans" to



Harry Potter creator JK Rowling poses with a boy during the launch of her new project 'www.pottermore.com' in London

add to the seven Potter novels she has already written.

Rowling is launching her e-books venture in partnership with Sony, the Japanese entertainment giant, having retained the digital publication rights herself.

Sony chief Howard Stringer said in a statement that it was a "pioneering partnership" that would "help shape the future of storytelling."

The author said however that her print publishers, Bloomsbury in Britain and Scholastic in the United States, were "active supporters" of the project.



# Amaretto Disaronno hosts the Links Ladies at Divi Links



Druif Beach – The Link Ladies were offered a most-enjoyable afternoon by Amaretto Disaronno, including a Ladies' Golf Tournament mixed with delicious cocktails and topped by prizes.

The 2-person scramble format took off at 3pm on Saturday. At the start the ladies were offered a refreshing Disaronno Orange which provided them with the energy and the drive to get out on the golf course and play their best rounds, ever.

Mid-course, on hole #6, the team of the Aruba Trading Company, Miriam Webb and Edward Quijada waited for the Ladies with their second cocktail of the day, Disaronno Cranberry, which was later voted their favorite cocktail of the day.

After playing the Divine Nine, the Divi Links Golf Ladies retreated to Mulligan's Golf Café Bar & Restaurant for an award cer-

emony and butler-passed hors d'oeuvres. The were also served their third cocktail selection, Disaronno Sour which true to Disaronno's tagline 'opened the possibilities' for a great social hour over slices of the restaurant's famous gourmet pizza.

Gisela Werner won the longest drive, and was awarded Disaronno and Veuve Clicquot Brut Yellow Label from Champagne, France, as well as a gift from the Aruba Trading Company.

Golfers Annie Van Schaijk and Caricia Bernabela came in first with Diny Grol and Conny Peck in second, also receiving Disaronno gifts to go, Champagne and a goodie-bag from the Aruba Trading Company.

Amaretto Disaronno is an Italian liqueur with a characteristic bittersweet almond taste, it is the original Italian favorite flavored with fruits

and herbs and carried on the island by the Aruba Trading Company.

The day was orchestrated by Tabitha J. Fecunda, Island Marketing & Promotion Manager, The Links at Divi Aruba.

## Serena rages at Wimbledon snub, Ivanovic squares up

LONDON, England (AFP) – Defending champion Serena Williams lashed out at Wimbledon officials as a sexism row simmered on Thursday while Serb pin-up Ana Ivanovic put her easy-going progress down to a square-shaped racquet.

Four-time champion Williams came back from a set down to defeat Romanian teenager Simona Halep 3-6, 6-2, 6-1, before unleashing a volley of accusations at the All England Club for relegating her to Court Two.

She insisted that reigning men's champion Rafael Nadal and second seed Novak Djokovic -- who have won fewer Wimbledon titles between them than her -- would never be treated with the same lack of respect.

It is not the first time Serena and sister Venus -- a five-time Wimbledon champion -- have had to play away from the showpiece Centre Court and Court One. "They like to put us on Court 2, me and Venus, for whatever reason. I haven't figured it out yet. Maybe one day we'll figure it out," said Serena.

"They (Nadal and Djokovic) are never moved across. Actually, Venus and I have won more Wimbledons together than a lot of the players or by ourselves in doubles even.

Williams may believe her complaints are justified with top seed and world number one Caroline Wozniacki also due to play her second round tie with Virginie Razzano later in the day.

Williams had looked rusty in the early exchanges and was overshadowed by world number 58 Halep in the first set, the Romanian 19-year-old showing off the freedom of movement afforded her by a decision to undergo breast reduction surgery two years ago.



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Serena Williams

But she eventually overpowered Halep to earn a last 32 clash against Russia's Maria Kirilenko who defeated Tamarine Tanasugarn in the Thai's 15th consecutive Wimbledon.

Serbian 18th seed Ana Ivanovic, the 2008 French Open champion and who made the semi-finals at Wimbledon in 2007, eased past Greek world number 121 Eleni Daniilidou 6-3, 6-0.

The 23-year-old next faces Petra Cetkovska of the Czech Republic, who put out Polish 13th seed Agnieszka Radwanska, for a place in the last 16.

Ivanovic, who has lost just four games in her first two matches, put her dominance down to using a black, square-shaped racquet.

Svetlana Kuznetsova, the Russian 12th seed, and a two-time Grand Slam title winner, beat Romania's Alexandra Dulgheru 6-0, 6-2 to set up a meeting with Belgium's Yanina Wickmayer, the 19th seed.

Birthday girl Francesca Schiavone, the sixth seed and 2010 Roland Garros champion, was also a winner on the day she turned 30 as the Italian beat Barbora Zahlavova Strycova of the Czech Republic 7-5, 6-3.

Later Thursday, China's French Open winner and third seed Li Na faces German wildcard Sabine Lisicki.

But she won't be playing Zheng Jie in the next round, however, after her compatriot tumbled out to Japanese qualifier Misaki Doi 6-3, 6-1.

Wozniacki aims to defeat France's Razzano, the world number 96, who is playing Wimbledon to fulfill the death bed wish of fiance and coach Stephane Vidal, who died from a brain tumour in May.

Russia's 2004 champion Maria Sharapova, the fifth seed, tackles 17-year-old British wildcard Laura Robson, who won the 2008 junior championship.

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## Perry beats out Daniel Sedin for NHL MVP trophy



LAS VEGAS (AFP) - Canadian forward Corey Perry

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beat out Daniel Sedin and Martin St. Louis to win the National Hockey League's most valuable player trophy during the annual awards show on Wednesday.

The Anaheim Ducks forward collected the Hart Trophy for being MVP after scoring a league-high 50 goals this season, including 19 goals in his final 16 games.

"I didn't expect this," Perry said. "But like I said earlier, I can't do this

The 26-year-old from Toronto beat out NHL scoring champ Daniel Sedin whose twin Swedish brother, Henrik, took home the MVP title last season.

Perry had already won the Maurice "Rocket" Richard Trophy as the league's top goal scorer.

Canada's St. Louis, who finished with 68 assists this season, earned a consolation prize as he was awarded the Lady Byng Trophy for gentlemanly play.

Detroit's veteran defenceman Nicklas Lidstrom of Sweden returned to the awards platform by winning his seventh Norris Trophy as the top defenceman.

American Tim Thomas added his second Vezina Trophy to go with the Stanley Cup ring he earned earlier this month with the Boston Bruins.

Thomas set an NHL record for save percentage when he finished at .938, surpassing Dominik Hasek's .937. Thomas also had a league-leading 2.00 goals-against average.

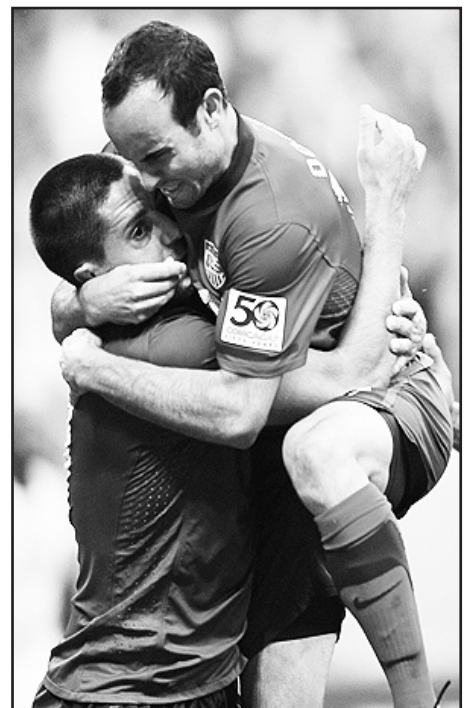
## US, Mexico win to set up CONCACAF Gold Cup final

HOUSTON, Texas (AFP) - The United States reached their fourth consecutive CONCACAF Gold Cup final thanks to a Clint Dempsey goal which secured a 1-0 win for the hosts over Panama.

Dempsey struck in the 77th minute following a pass from Landon Donovan to avenge the Americans' 2-1 loss to Panama in the group stages earlier in the tournament.

"It wasn't our best game but at the end of the day we kept going and got the goal needed to win the game," Dempsey said. "All I had to do was put my foot on it."

The Americans will play Mexico in Saturday's championship match at the Rose Bowl



Clint Dempsey (L) of the US is hugged by teammate Landon Donovan after scoring during the CONCACAF 2011 Gold Cup semi-final in Los Angeles. The Mexicans defeated Honduras 2-0 in the other semi-final on Wednesday.

Freddy Adu helped set up the winning goal with a long pass to Donovan at the Reliant Stadium.

Donovan, playing his 27th straight Gold Cup match, then played an inch-perfect pass across the Panama goal to Dempsey, who applied the finishing touch.

"We know that when we apply our game we are a pretty hard team to beat," said 22-year-old Adu.

"I think we showed our quality in being able to grind out a result," said Dempsey.

Panama's loss was their fourth consecutive defeat to the Americans in the knockout stages.



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TAMPA	41	34	.547	3.5
TORONTO	36	39	.480	8.5
BALTIMORE	33	39	.458	10

### Central

CLEVELAND	40	33	.548	--
DETROIT	40	35	.533	1.0
CHICAGO	37	39	.487	4.5
MINNESOTA	32	40	.444	7.5
KANSAS	31	43	.419	9.5

### West

TEXAS	40	36	.526	--
SEATTLE	37	37	.500	2.0
LA ANGELES	37	39	.487	3.0
OAKLAND	34	41	.453	5.5

### National League

East	W	L	Pct	GB
PHILADELPHIA	47	28	.627	--
ATLANTA	43	33	.566	4.5
WASHINGTON	37	37	.500	9.5
NY METS	36	38	.486	10.5
FLORIDA	33	42	.440	14.0

### Central

MILWAUKEE	41	35	.539	--
ST. LOUIS	40	35	.533	0.5
CINCINNATI	39	37	.513	2.0
PITTSBURG	37	37	.500	3.0
CHICAGO	30	44	.405	10.0
HOUSTON	28	48	.368	13.0

### West

ARIZONA	41	34	.547	--
SAN FRANCISCO	40	34	.541	0.5
COLORADO	37	37	.500	3.5
LA DODGERS	34	42	.447	7.5
SAN DIEGO	32	44	.421	9.5



## Federer in a hurry at Wimbledon



LONDON (AFP) - Roger Federer scorched into the third round at Wimbledon here Thursday, dropping just seven games in a brisk straight sets dismissal of French journeyman Adrian Mannarino.

The Swiss former world number one served notice that he is in prime form as he chases a record seventh Wimbledon crown after routing Mannarino 6-2, 6-3, 6-2 in just under 90 minutes to delight the Centre Court faithful.

Federer will now play Argentinian veteran David Nal-

bandian for a place in the last 16 on Saturday.

Federer was joined in the third round by second seed Novak Djokovic and fifth seed Robin Soderling, who overcame Lleyton Hewitt in a thrilling five-setter.

Djokovic -- who has lost only one match all year -- maintained his red-hot form with a ruthless straight sets win over South Africa's Kevin Anderson, prevailing 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.

While Djokovic blasted his way into the last 64 of the men's singles, Sweden's Soderling was given a punishing examination by Hewitt on Centre Court before finally prevailing 6-7 (5/7), 3-6, 7-5, 6-4, 6-4.

In other matches, Argentinian 24th seed Juan Martin Del Potro came from behind to down Olivier Rochus of Belgium in four sets, 6-7 (7/9), 6-1, 6-0, 6-4.

The biggest upset of the day saw Lu Yen-Hsun -- who became the first Taiwanese man to reach a Grand Slam quarter-final here last year -- down fiery Serbian 13th seed Viktor Troicki.

Lu won 7-6 (7/5), 6-4, 6-4 and will face French 15th seed Michael Llodra of France for a place in the last 16.

## Riggleman resigns over contract squabble

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Washington Nationals manager Jim Riggleman resigned on Thursday from the Major League Baseball club, saying the franchise did not want to commit to him in the long haul.

Riggleman quit because Washington was not prepared to pick up the option on his contract for next season.

"It's been brewing for a while," Riggleman said. "I know I'm not Casey Stengel,

but I do feel like I know what I'm doing. It's not a situation where I felt like I should continue on such a short lease."

General manager Mike Rizzo said he would announce on Friday who will manage the team this weekend during a road series against the Chicago White Sox.

The Nationals have won 11 of 12 and are above .500 this late in the season for the first time since 2005.

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## Costa Rica defender Dennis Marshall dies in car smash

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - National team defender Dennis Marshall was one of two people killed Thursday in a two-vehicle smash in the mountains near San Jose, Costa Rica, the Red Cross reported on Thursday.

Marshall, and a female travelling with him, were killed when their car collided head on with a truck.

Marshall had recently returned to Costa Rica following the CONCACAF Gold Cup tournament in the United

States.

He scored a goal Saturday in a loss to Honduras. Marshall scored to make it 1-1 in regulation time before his squad lost 4-2 on penalties.

Marshall played internationally for Danish club Aalborg.

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